2006 Grants

Media: 6

Name of Organization: Oklahoma State University

Subject: Developing professional capacity for media specialists

Location: Stillwater, Oklahoma

Oklahoma State University will conduct a six-phased program to nurture and enhance professional standards among the media in Mali, with a focus on economic journalism, especially agricultural business. Two U.S. delegations of eight people each will travel to Mali to lead workshops and consult with agri-businesses. Fourteen Malians, representing all sectors of the media, will come to the U.S. for a month of internships and special educational activities.

Country(ies): Mali Region: Africa U.S. State: OK Theme(s): Media

Name of Organization: University of Massachusetts/Boston

Subject: Developing a more effective and socially responsible media

Location: Boston, Massachusetts

The Center for Democracy and Development (CDD) at the McCormack Graduate School of Policy Studies, University of Massachusetts - Boston, in collaboration with the University of Liberia and other Liberian entities, will conduct a two-year program of educational and cultural exchange to help journalists, editors, educators, and media managers develop independent, effective, professional media in Liberia. The program will unfold in four phases: Journalistic Methods and Standards, Media Entrepreneurship, Media Creativity and Production. Each phase will be broken down into specific components for teachers of media (primarily from the University of Liberia), for media practitioners (i.e. journalists), and for media managers and entrepreneurs. Finally, the specific needs of print and broadcast media and other types of emerging media businesses (such as internet, radio or electronic newspapers) will be addressed. Eleven Liberians and 11 Americans will participate in the exchanges.

Country(ies): Liberia Region: Africa

U.S. State: MA Theme(s): Media Name of Organization: Ohio University

Location: OH

Subject: Developing professional standards in broadcast media/ethnic conflict

This grant allows Ohio University's departments of Southeast Asian Studies, Journalism, and Telecommunications to assist the development of professional standards in Indonesian broadcast media, focusing on reporting inter-group conflicts and ethnic diversity. The project includes workshops in Indonesia followed in Summer 2007 by an intensive professional program at Ohio University and three-week internships at news departments at TV stations in various cities in Ohio. Six of the US host journalists then carry out further on-site training and consultancies in Indonesia.

Country(ies): Indonesia

Region: East Asia and Pacific

U.S. State: OH Theme(s): Media

Name of Organization: World Learning

Location: Washington, DC

Subject: Strengthening professional standards in the media

This grant supports the improvement of journalistic coverage in Nepal of government accountability and transparency. The program consists of twelve Nepali journalists meeting in Katmandu for a two-day workshop, then traveling to the U.S for a five-week program, including a three-week internship at local media outlets across the country. The program concludes with the participants gathering for a train-the-trainer seminar at the Nepali Press Institute for the original participants and 100 of their peers.

Country(ies): Nepal

Region: South and Central Asia

U.S. State: DC

Theme(s): Media, Democracy & Governance

Name of Organization: Population Communication International

Location: New York, NY

Subject: Working with radio producers on coverage of democratic values as they relate to cultural and ethnic diversity

This grant supports a media exchange program designed to promote responsible coverage of democratic values as they relate to cultural and ethnic diversity. The project sends four U.S. radio news producers to Peru to conduct a five-day workshop for 25 provincial radio producers on how to engage their communities in discussions on human rights, democracy/fair elections, narco-trafficking and terrorism. Ten Peruvian radio producers also come to the U.S. for five-week internships at radio stations serving Latino audiences.

Country(ies): Peru

Region: Western Hemisphere

U.S. State: NY Theme(s): Media

Name of Organization: Partners of the Americas

Location: Washington, D.C.

Subject: Implementing exchanges that support the development of democratic values in the Western Hemisphere

Partners of the Americas implements exchanges designed to enhance mutual understanding through personal involvement and linkages of key volunteer specialists in fields such as citizen participation, judicial reform, public administration, the promotion of minority and indigenous rights, journalism, environmental and historical conservation, education, economic development and trade, and visual and performing arts. These activities directly support the development and fostering of democratic values to improve understanding among people of the Americas.

Country(ies): Multiple

Region: Western Hemisphere

U.S. State: DC

Theme(s): Democracy & Governance, Media, Business